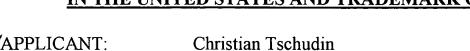


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AMENDMENT

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated December 10, 2003, Applicant respectfully requests entry of the following amendment: